

Proclamation

WHEREAS, President Ronald Wilson Reagan worked throughout his life to serve freedom and advance the public good; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan worked as an entertainer, union leader, corporate spokesman and Governor of California before being elected as the 40th President of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, when Ronald Reagan first became President in 1981, he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by rampant inflation and high unemployment; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan served with honor and distinction during his two presidential terms, the second of which he earned the confidence of three-fifths of the electorate and was victorious in 49 of 50 states in the general election – a record unsurpassed in American history; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan worked to implement his active social policy agenda for the nation's children, which helped to lower crime and drug use in our neighborhoods, and for the elderly and disabled, by addressing problems within the Social Security system and expanding the Medicare program; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan's vision of "peace through strength" led to the end of the Cold War, resulting in a reduction of strategic nuclear arsenals, dismantling of the infamous Berlin Wall and the guarantee of basic human rights for millions of people; and

WHEREAS, February 6, 2006, will be the 95th anniversary of Ronald Reagan's birth, and the second since his passing,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim February 6, 2006, as

RONALD REAGAN DAY

in Hawai'i, and encourage our citizens to honor the legacy of this extraordinary President.

Done at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this first day of February 2006.

Linda Lingle

Governor, State of Hawai'i